feet of an individual, and begging him to go, and leave it in peace.

Dr. Hobson got along easily until he undertook to discuss Dr. McGiffert's theology, when he was sharply remixded by Dr. Radeliffe that the assembly had already condemned Dr. McGiffert's theology, and was not conducting a heresy trial.

"I yield that point." gracefully said the speaker, but a moment later his time expired.

Host of Eager Talkers.

The leaders having spoken, five min-

utes each was given to a host of eager

talkers. Out of a wrangle as to whether a majority or minority man should follow Dr. Hobson, Rev. H. W.

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"It has been said that there is no unrest in the church," he cried, in a thunderous voice, but before he got further Dr. Radcliffe sang out that he had simply said that there was no "such serious unrest as had been believed," Taken back for a second, Dr. McKibben continued: "Well, I say there is unrest in the church, when in Cincinnative have to issue a declaration of belief in the Delty of God. If there is no justification for a judicial process, when in God's name will there be a justilization?"

"It is time to close up the ranks and for Presbyterians to march shoulder to shoulder," said Dr. W. P. Merrill, a member of the committee. "The majority report means harmony and union," Like a prophet of old, with beetling brow and hoary hair and beard, Dr. Dunlop Moore, of the Presbytery of Pittsburgh, lifted up the voice of conservatism.

"I have read this book," he said. "It

Pittsburgh, liften up the said. "It severatism.
"I have read this book," he said. "It is bad; there are worse, for some books deny the authenticity of every one of the Gospels. Dr. McGiffert questions only sixteen out of twenty-seven. The book"—and the old man shook with feeling—"is an abomination before God. Some one has spoken of the kind tone of Dr. McGiffert's letter; it gives me ne encouragement. If I had Dr. Mc-

no encouragement. If I had Dr. Mc Giffert here I would knock that non-sense out of his head." This last senti

Roared With Laughter.

"Then close up. Was there ever a more beautifully worded letter than that of

this theologian, which says, after all:
'I do as I please, and you can do the
other thing.'' And the galleries and

other thing." And the galleries and the assembly roared with laughter.

"Who has read Dr. McGiffert's book, anyway?" asked Elder Samuel G. Scott, of Philadelphia, And the commissioners looked at each other and repeated the same question. Then, upon the platform came Dr. J. B. Alcom Shaw, of New York, a director of Union Seminary. Intense silence followed. In that deep, sonorous voice for which he is famous, the eloquent minister spoke, while his every word was eagerly swallowed as of supreme significance.
"I disapprove of Dr. McGiffert's book," he said, slowly and impressively. "There

all sides were shouts of disapproval of

what appeared to be an apology for Dr. McGiffert.

"I mean simply this," continued Dr. Shaw, when the turmoll had ceased, "that Dr. McGiffert was honest in his letter. He will walk out of the church. He will say, 'T will have no stain on my conscione of another heresy trial," "Thirdly, I want to say that you can trust the Presbytery of New York, For the first time in years we voted together when we voted for Dr. Sample for mederator. There is a great reaction going on. On the glow of the new spirituality we will do our duty. Leave us free, and we will take our stand for the right."

The applause which greeted Dr. Shaw when he took the tribune was nothing compared with that mighty rattle of handelapping that saluted his departure.

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Pale with indignation, he de

efore the house. Mederator, Mr. Moderator,

Mr. Moderator, Ar. Moderator, called Dr. Shaw, now thoroughly aroused, I wish to say that there was no such agreement. It was simply understood that we should not speak as representing the Presbytery. I spoke only for myself?

myself."
"I am glad to hear that explanation,"
said Mr. Yearcance, but there was a
trace of irony in his tone. Immediately
after, he struck Dr. Shaw another blow.

"Only a twelve-month ago," he declared, with great intensity, "Dr. Sha

clared, with great intensity, "Dr. Shaw told me in a conversation that he had read Dr. McGiffert's book, and saw othing in it to disapprove,"
"I recall no such statement what-ever," passionately exclaimed Dr. Shaw, "Stop it, gentlemen, stop it," "enough" enough," came from all parts of the house, "Let us have no personalities," said the acting mederator, "In all man-liness to fold and man Dr. McGiffert

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WHEELING, W. VA., FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1899.

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# ACTION OF **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Of the Prebyterian Church in Regard to Charges Against Rev. Dr. McGiffert.

### THE WHOLE MATTER REFERRED

To the New York Presbytery to Deal With it as it Deems Best

### AFTER TUMULTUOUS DEBATE.

Which Sometimes Partook of Personalities---Considerable Feeling Displayed.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 25,-In the hands of the presbytery of New York i sthe fate of Rev. Dr. Arthur C. McGliffert, professor of church history in Union Theological seminary, New The general assembly of the Presbyterian church steered clear, as it hopes, of the rocks of another heresy trial when it voted this afternoon, after a tumultuous and sometimes personal debate, to refer the whole matter to the presbytery of New York "for such disposition as in its judgment the peace of the church and the purity of doctrine

When the bills and overtures committee report was announced this afternoon by Vice Moderator Dr. L. Y. Graham, a profound stience held over the assembly and the packed galleries

Dr. Wallace Radcliffe, of Washington, chairman of the committee, took the speaker's Matform and read first that part of the report on which all members of the committee agreed. It was a review of the case and the statement of four fundamental doctrines of the churches which Dr. McGiffert's History of Christianity in the Apostolic Age" is held to deny. Next Dr. Radcliffe read the majority report, and then it was known at last that there were to be two reports. This report, which was ultimately adopted, left the matter to the discretion of the New York The minority report read by Dr. Benjamin Lewis Hobson, of Chicage, made it mandatory upon the New York presbytery to appoint a comnitte to confer with Dr. McGiffert, and if he would neither modify his views nor peacefully withdraw from the church, proceed against him in accordance with the provisions of the constitution of the church. That would have meant a heresy trial. Before taking up the debate the whole assembly voted for the preamble on which all agreed. From this scene of unanimity the aspect was

soon changed to one of tumult. The majority report with the slight verbal changes made for the sake of clearness at the end of the discussion,

"We recommend that the whole matter of the teachings of the book of Rev. C. A. McGiffert, D. D., entitled "A History of Christianity in the Apostolic Ager," be referred to the presbytery of New York, to which belongs the primary constitutional responsibility for such disposition as in its judgment the peace of the church and the purity of doctrine may require."

The minority of eight set against the report of the majority of twelve the fol-

We recommend the adoption of the

The general assembly, while deploring the controversy occasioned by Dr. McGiffert's writings, hereby direct the presbytery of New, York, of which he a member, to appoint a committee to confer with him, and if it should appear to the presbytery that Dr. McGiffert falls to modify his views so as to conform them to the standards of the churches, the presbytery is directed to e every means to induce Dr. McGiffert to withdraw peaceably from the Presby terian ministry. But if he should refuse to do so then the presbytery is directed, as the last resort, to proceed with the case in accordance with the provisions of the constitutions of the churches. And in all these proceedings the presbytery is to maintain the spirit of Christian kindness and love, as well

as adelity to the truth." "Give the case to the presbytery to decide," said Dr. Radeliffe, "put the re-sponsibility where it belongs; surely they will attend to it. Let the presbytery of New York attend to its own bushess in its own way. Do not order them so and make threats against Dr. McGiffert."

### Dr. Radolin's Plan

Continuing, eloquently, in this strain, Dr. Hadeliffe concluded with these wards: "The time has not yet come when the whole authority of the churches should be exercised. When the cummittee of New York has acted and the presbytery, too, then there will simple time for the assembly to re-View the case, I am not a moderate conservative. I am no middle-of-the road conservative—I am a Presbyterian. licing relieved from all differences and from all antagonisms, we are all be-coming Presbyterians. I ask you in the interests of the presbytery of New York, of general harmony, for the sake of great and glorious peace of the churches, for the sake of magnificent epportunities that lie before us-strong and united-in the near future, to leave this case simply where it belongs, persaitting, in the fear of God, the presbytery of New York to attend to its

Dr. Hobson replied to Dr. Radeliffe

with a speech which was magnificent from an argumentative point of view, but vastly inferjor to Dr. Radeliffe's in effect and eloquence. He called attention to the fact that Dr. Radeliffer's in effect and eloquence. He called attention to the fact that Dr. Radeliffer's may be added that Dr. McGiffert was of a seminary which did support, and was not an active pastor. If that argument had any weight why send the case down to the presbytery at all? The plain fact was that Dr. McGiffert was a member of the church and an ordained minister, who was under obligations not to preach or teach against the doctrial standards of the church. Where was the threat in the course approved by the minority? In any event, if Dr. McGiffert refused to modify his views or leave the church there must be a heresy trial. It would be wiser plainly to say to Dr. McGiffert: "You are a scholar; all honor to scholars, but the Presbyterian church is no place for you. Go where you will be more at home." It had been said that to adopt the minority report would be to turn a plowshare through the tNew York presbytery. If such is the case, and Dr. McGiffert is stubborn, it is soily a question of time when that plowshare with have to do its work. It is said that Dr. McGiffert will not fail to withdraw. "May the Lord put it into his head to do so," but in the meantime here was the spectacle of the great Presbyterian church sitting at the feet of an individual, and begging him to go, and leave it in peact. should resign," said Mr. Yeareance in

conclusion.

Dr. John W. Dinsmore, of San Jose, Cal., spoke briefly for the majority report. When he was through, the house clamored frantically for the question. For fully five minutes there were mingled shouts of "Question," "Yote," "Yote," and shouts for Dr. D. W. F. Birch, of the New York Presbytery, who was begging the moderator to let him speak.

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Finally it developed that there were only eight minutes left and Dr. Radeliffe hastily summed up. Again the house clamored for the question, and some one demanded the roll call, but an emphatic "no" vote disposed of that motion. Dr. Radeliffe moved the majority report, Dr. McKibben moved to substitute the minority. A parliamentary tangle followed, with half a dezen speakers, and numerous motions. But a motion to lay Dr. McKibben's substitute on the table prevailed.

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"The ayes have it," said Dr. Graham. Somebody called for division, for the negative vote seemed to have large volume. But when it came to standing up, the negative vote, which had given promise of being almost equal to the affirmative, dwindled so sadly that the few standers were laughed at. The majority shouted for joy.

Next the vote was made unanimous. The one hundred and eleventh assembly of the Presbyterian church had dealt with the hardest problem, that had confronted it.

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St. Louis will be the next place of meeting. By an overwhelming age vote the assembly adopted the committee's report in favor of the Compton Avenue and Washington church of St. Louis, Dr. W. H. McKibben withdrew Cincinnati in favor of St. Louis.

Cumberland Presbyterians.

DENVER, Col., May 25 .- Considerable dissatisfaction has developed among the members of the Cumberland Presbyterian general assembly over the temper lan general assembly over the temperance resolutions adopted on Tuesday, which practically pledge the votes of members of the church to the prohibition party. A motion made to-day to reconsider the vote by which the resolutions were adopted was ruled out of order. It is likely, however, the question will come up again. A resolution was adopted endorsing Sabbath observance, deploring the degeneracy of the age in this respect, censuring those commissioners of the assembly who took the excursion around the loop last Sunday and ordering the clerk to secure the names of such delegates and inform their presbyteries of their delinquency.

United Presbyterians.

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 25.-W. J. Robinson, D. D., of Allegheny Pa., was unanimously elected modera tor of the general assembly of the Uni-ted Presbyterian church at to-day:

ted Prezbyterian church at to-day's session. There were only two candidates for the honor. Rev. Dr. Robinson's opponent was the Rev. W. C. Williamson, of Keokuk, Jowa. Dr. Williams Reid, of Pittsburgh, who has held the office of principal clerk cince 1875, was unanimously re-elected and Dr. A. C. Wallace, of Pittsburgh, received no opposition for the place of record clerk.

# READING, Pa., May 25.—By direction

sense out of his head." This list sentiment was liberally applauded.
"Be patient, brothers; wait yet a little white," pleaded Drs. Hughes and Gibson, of Philadelphic, speaking for the majority report.
"Skulkers and cowards to the rear," shoutef. Elder Alex. Dixon, of Scranton, Pa. of the district attorney County Detective Kershner to-day swore out a warrant for the four Philadelphia & Reading railroad men who were censured by the coroner's fury for causing the disastrous wreck at Exeter. The accused are: William F. Wildermuth, engineer of the first section; his conductor, A. E. Magee; James J. Rourke, dispatcher, and Eugineer Harry Orreli, of the second section. Bail in \$1,699 will be demanded. Members of the jury expressed the desire that no manslaughter proceedings be brought against the men. The other legal remedy is charging them with a misdemeanor. The act of March 22, 1855, says the penalty shall not exceeding five years. Trainmaster Bowers, who was also censured, will be prosecuted in Philadelphia. rant for the four Philadelphia & Read-

# Admiral Kantz Coming Home

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25 .- The following cablegram has been received at the navy department dated Apia, May 16, 1899, via Auckland: Secretary Navy, Washington,

Badger arrived on May 13. The Phila-delphia will leave so as to reach San Francisco about June 25. The commis-sion may desire to return on the Badger.

"I disapprove of Dr. McGlifert's book," he said, slowly and impressively, "There are many bad things and some good things in it. I have no sympathy or patience with it."

"Then, why," broke in Dr. McKlibben, flercely, "then why, as a director of Union seminary do you keep Dr. McGlifert there?"

Dr. McKlibben's eyes flashed fire, and his valce was a rear Admiral Kautz will return to the Uni-Once there or one of the provided in the property of the provided in the provi d States with the Philadelphia. flagship will be replaced at Apia by the cruiser Newark, which is as formidable in every respect as the Philadelphia, having been recently overhauted, and is in shape for long service.

#### Victoria is Grateful. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.-The

President this evening received the fol-lowing cablegram from Queen Victoria in response to his message of congrat-ulations: WINDSOR, May 25.

To the President of the United States.

To the President of the United States. I am deeply touched by the words of your telegram of congratulation. From my heart I thank you and the American people for the sentiments of affection and good will therein expressed.

(Signed.)

V. R. I.

# Cheerful Report From Wood.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25,-The war department to-night received the following message from General Leonard Wood, in command of the province of Santiago:

# SANTIAGO, May 25.

To the Secretary of War: Just returned from inspection of principal interior towns on north coas-this department. People at work, no hun this department. People at work no hun-ger, no application for personal assist-once during trip; people absolutely quiet; no Cuban troops under arms any-where in province; no brigandage. (Signed.) WOOD.

# President's Western Trip.

WASHINGTON, May 25. - President WASHINGTON, May 25.— President McKinley has positively decided to go as far west this summer as St. Paul and Minneapolls, but whether he will go on to the Yellowstone park and the coast depends upon circumstances such that it is now impossible to make a decision. Nor is the date of his visit to St. Paul yet decided. He intends to be there at the time the Thirteenth Minnesota, the South Dakota and other regiments arrive on their return from the Philippines, when a great reception will be accorded them.

# President's Contribution.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Acting Sec etary Cortelyou to-day called upon Asstatant Secretary Vanderlip, chairman
of the Dewy home fund, and placed in
his hands a cheek from the President,
constituting Mr. McKinley's contribution to the fund. In doing so Mr. Cortlelyou conveyed to Mr. Vanderlip the
expression of the President's toon in ion of the President's undertaking and his ple ure in contributing with the people to this testimonial to Admiral Dewey,

# CONFERENCE OF DEMOCRATS.

Members of National Committee Consider the Condition of the Party.

### METHODS OF WORK DISCUSSED

And not a Single Reference to Party Policy Made ... Another Meeting in July.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 25 .- When the conference of members of the Demoeratic national committee adjourned this afternoon at 5:30 it had taken no action regarding the policy of the party in the coming presidential campaign, and planks for the platform were not even discussed. The meeting from first to last was one of discussion regarding methods of work of next year and the ways and means by which this work could best be accomplished. All members were urged to see that the organization of the party in their respective states is perfected as soon as possible, and all preparations be made for the fight. The matters of anti-trust," "antiimperialism" and silver were not touched upon. No action was taken regarding them and no recommendations were made. The next meeting of the committee will probably be held in Chicago on July 20, and Chairman Jones, of the national committee, has been asked to call a formal meeting for that date. It is expected that at this meeting definite action will be taken and the question of what is to be the rallying cry of the Democracy in the fall of 1900 will be determined.

Mr. Bryan acted as proxy for J. M. Woods, of South Dokota, during the time that he was in the meeting.

#### Who Were Present.

The committeemen present were: Henry D. Clayton, Alabama; Thomas C. McRae, Arkansas; Adair Wilson Colorado; Alexander Troop, Connecticut; Clark Howell, Jr., Georgia; Thomas Gahan, Illinois; John G. Shanklin, Indiana; C. A. Walsh, Iowa; Judge Johnson, Kansas; Urey Woodson, Kentucky; T. D. O'Brien, Minnesota; W. B. Sullivan, Mississippi; W. J. Stone, Missouri; W. H. Thompson, Nebraska; Joseph Daniels, North Carolina; J. M. Griffin, Pennsylvania; James M. Woods, South Dakota; James M. Head, Tennessee; James J. Dudley, Texas; Peter J. Otey, Virginia; John T. McGraw, West Virginia; W. N. Holliday, Wyom-

ing; Thomas Marcum, Indian Territory. Governor Stone stated the object of the meeting as set out in the call. was then elected chairman. Mr. Walsh was in his place as secretary.

J. M., Griffin, of Pennsylvania, who was present as proxy for Committeeman Harrity, of that state, made a total representation of twenty-three states. Committeeman Stone, of Missouri, presided, and immediately after calling the meeting to order announced that rein the different states were desired:

# Were Not Touched Upon.

One by one the representatives of the different states outlined the conditions existing at home, and the reports were accepted without recommendations of any kind. Not one of the speakers touched upon the trusts, imperialism or silver.

After the committee had been in se sion an hour Mr. Bryan was introduced and made a short address, urging the members to look closely after the organizations in their states and suggestvide a campaign fund for the coming campaign. He made no specific suggestions, merely talking in a general way regarding the great advantage of or ganization.

The fight of the Illinois Democrac against Editor Devlin, of the national committee press bureau, was taken up by Committeeman Gahan, of Illinois. He made a vigorous speech, claiming that Devlin had acted against the regular Democratic organization in Illinois and that he be removed. A motion was carried appointing a committee of three to investigate the Devlin matter and report to Chairman Jones upon his re turn from abroad. Mr. Stone appointed on the committee of investigation Mr. Johnson, of Kansas, and Mr. Daniels, of North Carolina, the third man to be named later.

# Bryan and Altgeld.

Mr. Bryan said at the conclusion of the conference: "I am satisfied that great good has come from this meeting and that the Democracy will be in a better position to make the fight in the ocming election than it has ever been. It was not designed that any ac-tion should be taken at this meeting. It was called for the sole purpose of getting an insight into the conditions in the different states and urging those that have in any way allowed their or-ganizations to lapre from what it should be, to get to work at once with the object of putting matters into the best condition before the verious work of next sear. the ocmleg election than it has ever

next gear. Ex-Governor Altgeld expressed views Ex-Governor Aligeld expressed views similar to those of Bryan. It cannot be gainsaid that there is a strong undercurrent of feeling among the members of the national committee that silver should not be given the exceedingly prominent place that it held in the last campalign. It may be one of the leading features of the platform, but they declare openly that they think that there are other things that should be given as much importance in the declarations of the party as silver and one of those that finds the most favor with them is "anti-trust."

#### Anti-Trust Banquet. ST. LOUIS, May 25 .- Promptly at 6:45

this evening the caterer's direction bell rang, the band struck up "The Stors and Stripes Forever," an army of wait ers ladened with viands, appeared and the mammoth Democratic anti-trust banquet was on, while the 1.445 ban-queters seated at the tables broke into a tremendous cheer, rising in a body and waving the small hands flags that have been provided at each cover. Several speeches were made during the evening, including one by W. J. Bryan attacking all kinds of trusts.

### PEACE CONFERENCE.

Committee on Laws of Warfare Strikes a Difficult Problem in Proposed Modifications of Geneva Convention.

THE HAGUE, May 25.—Both sections of the committee on the laws of war-fare of the peace conference met separately to-day and began the examina-tion of the subject submitted to them, the Red Cross section discussing paragraph five and paragraph six, of the circular of Count Muravieff, Russian minister of foreign affairs and the Brussels conference section discussing

Brussels conference section discussing paragraph seven.

Both sections met subsequently and discussed the question of competence, as regards the scheme for the revision of the Geneva convention, known as the Morgnier scheme. The Morgnier scheme comprises modifications of the Geneva convention in connection with wounded and sick prisoners, members of the military hospital service, convoys for the wounded, ambulances, hospitals, projectly belonging to neutralized persons, religious and medical staffs and kindred subjects. The scheme applies equally to kand and sea warfare. It was proposed to submit the scheme to another committee for revision and the question was then raised whether the conference was competent to deal with the matter. Those who took a negative well-deal with the matter. Those who took a negative work and decided in principle and all the governments represented had agreed that nothing should be submitted to the conference beyond the eight points in the circular of Count Muravief. They contended that if the conference once infringed this rule, a precedent would be created leading to numerous difficulties, including probably the springing of the Armenian, Macedonian and similar questions upon the conference. It was also pointed out by the opponents of the proposal to refer that inasmuch as the Morgnier scheme dealt mostly with the wounded and with hospitals it would be lamposible to discuss the proposed modifications afterively without the co-operation of doctors who alone would be capable of deciding many of the points in issue, As a matter of fact there is no man of medical training among the delegates. The committee finally adjourned without reaching a decision.

There is no truth in the statement that a proposal has been submitted to the conference to abrogate the provisions of the declaration of Paris 1835 regarding the protection of private property in time of war.

Not Opposed to Arbitration. paragraph seven.

### Not Opposed to Arbitration.

BERLAN, May 25.—The Berliner Neuesten Nachrichten in an editorial lenying that Germany is opposing the denying that Germany is opposing the idea of an arbitration tribunal at the peace conference, suggests that the attitude of Great Britain and the United States in recent years as shown by the Venezuelan and Alaskan disputes has not been favorable to arbitration, although, as the paper says, "they are now posing as their special champions."

#### Recent Charters Issued. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Máy 25. charter was issued to-day to the Belmont Light and Power Company, Wheeling, with a capital of \$500. 10 per

Wheeling, with a capital of \$500. 10 per cent of this amount was paid in. Shares are \$30 each, and are held by Joseph Clements. Charles Rosser, John T. Flynn, and Thomas E. Shelly, of Bellaire, Ohio, and S. F. Gerrick, of Wheeling, W. Va.

A charter was also issued to the Wild Cat Oil Company, of Sistersville, with a capital of \$10,000, 10 per cent of which has been paid in. The shares are \$500 each, and are held by W. A. Wright J. N. Gold, A. C. Jamison, C. W. Grier, J. E. Neff. H. E. Wilson, E. P. H. Wells and others, all of Sistersville.

# Mad Dog Scare. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 25.—The

little town of Reid, this county, is all torn up over a mad dog panic. Several dogs here died from rabbles, contracted rom the bite of a dog which last March, and a number are exp daily to be selzed with the malady Rev. Millard Ray had to kill a fine mul and gave the other one of the spaway, knowing that they had both b bitten. This is near the community where Mrs. Keyser was bitten three years ago and after having been sent to the Pasteur Institute, New York, and supposed to have been cured, she af-terwards died. This latest outbreak is within four miles of this city.

#### Charles Town Points Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLES TOWN, W. Va., May 25,

corporation election for three councitmen was held in this place to-day nd resulted as follows:

First ward, A. Schulte; Second ward, F. Weller; Third ward, T. C. Green J. F. Weller; Third ward, T. C. Green, all the parties being Democrats.
Mies Ecssie B. Crane, a handsome young lady, and daughter of Mr. Joseph Crane, of this place, was married yesterday in Washington, to Mr. G. E. Hinch, of Tennessee. The bride is well known in Reanoke, near which city she formerly resided. She is a society belle, and has resided in this place with her father, who came here from Roanoke.

# Paris Still Sticks.

COVERACK, Cornwall, My 25.— An attempt to float the American line steamer Paris, which has been fast on the rocks off Lowland's Point, since early Sunday morning last, took place at 3 o'clock this morning, without result.

sult.

The position of the steamer has not altered, but the conditions are looked upon as being less favorable.

Another attempt to float the Paris will be made this afterneon. Her foreholds will be pumped dry and the two afterholds will be filled with water so as to tilt the steamer. A moderate wind is blowing.

blowing.

Five powerful tugs tried to pull off
the Paris, but she was not moved. More
coal is being jettisoned from her bunkers and another effort to fleat her will
be made at daybreak.

#### German Masons Meet. DETROIT, Mich., May 25,-The circle

of German-American Free Mason of German-American Free Mason lodges, representing some 10,090 Masons of German birth or parentage, held its third annual convention in the Masonic Temple auditorium. The session, which was secret, was devoted largely to reports of officers and committees, and a general discussion of the fraternity's interests.

# DISASTROUS CONFLAGRATION.

St Johns, New Brunswick, Sustains a Terrible Visitation --- Fifteen Blocks are Burned

## INVOLVING A \$500,000 LOSS.

One Thousand Persons Rendered Homeless, Majority of Them Laboring People.

ST. JOHNS, N. B., May 25.-Fire that broke out in a building adjoining the general warehouse of P. Nase & Sons, Main street, North End, this afternoon, did enormous damage. A leading underwriter estimates the loss at \$500,000 and insurance at \$300,000. For several hours the fire's progress was unchecked. Insufficient water supply, a long term of dry weather and a brisk gale contributed to cause a conflagration which for a time threatened annihilation to the wooden district where

it originated. Late to-night, however, the fire had died out and there is no fear of any fur-

Tenants of houses either on fire or in immediate danger moved out their furniture and piled it in places of supposed safety, only to see it burned on the street, or to be compelled to move it again. Piles of goods heaped upon the wharves, at first deemed secure, soon began to smoulder and blaze, ignited by the fierce heat.

At 3 o'clock the wharves and ware houses of the Star line took fire, and several of the steamers arriving from up-river had to dock elsewhere.

At 5 o'clock the destruction of several buildings on Main street by the use of dynamite stayed the progress of the flames along the line of the street railway, and the firemen were able to direct their efforts more particularly to the district north of Main street, and including blocks of dwellings bounded by Victoria, Metcalf, Bridge, Holly, Cunard and Albert streets.

The area burned over comprises fifteen blocks, and the buildings destroyed number 150.

The district ravaged by the fire was composed largely of tenement houses. and probably 1,000 persons are homeless, a majority of them laboring peo-

Two deaths are to be set down to the fire. A Miss Cunard, an aged lady residing on Holly street, was burned in her house, and Mrs. Arnold Morey, who resided a short distance from the scene dled from shock.

# NATIONAL TUBE COMPANY

Effects an Organization-Capitalized \$80,000,000 - Wheeling men Elected Officers.

NEW YORK, May 25.-The organization of the National Tube Company was consummated to-day by the election of the following board of directors: Joshua Rhodes, J. J. Vandergrift, William B. Rhodes, F. J. Hearne, J. N. Vance, John Eaten, Francis L. Potts, F. R. Tobey, Jonathan Rowland, Daniel O'Day, A. S. Matheson, O. C. Barber, Henry Aird, John Don, Edmund C. Converse, Horace Crosby, William Nelson Cromwell, D. W. Hitchcock, A. F. Luke and W. J. Curtis.

These officers were elected: President, E. C. Converse; chairman of the board, Joshua Rhodes; first vice president, F. J. Hearne; second vice president, Horace Crosby; third vice president, Francis L. Potts; general mana-

The treasurer has not yet been elected, but the place has been offered to Mr. Luke, of Boston.

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The capitalization of the company, \$80,000,000, was fixed upon the basis of the appraisement of the thirteen properties absorbed. Half the total amount, will be in 7 per cent cumulative preferred stock, and the other half in common stock. J. P. Morgan & Company will finance the company, which will have its main offices in this city, and manufacturing headquarters at Pittsburgh.

# AMALGAMATED ASSOCIATION.

Tin Plate Scale Advanced 20 Per cent-Manufacturers to Confer.

DETROIT, Mich., May 25 .- Committees from the Iron and steel manufacturers to confer with the Amalagamated Association wage committee arrived arrived to-day. The first conference will be held to-morrow.

This afternoon was spent by the manufacturers' committee in looking over the scales, but they refused to make any comment upon them. The radicals of the Amalgamated convention have prevalled throughout in the matter of higher wage scales, still the prices and outlook for business in the iron and tle trouble was anticipated in fixing the

schedules with the manufacturers,
The tin plate scale was to-day advanced twenty per cent by the Amalgamated Association.

#### Movements of Steamships. ROTTERDAM - Amsterdam,

York vin Boulogne.

BREMEN-Lahn, New
Cherbourg and Southampton. York, via

Weather Forecast for To-day. For West Virginia—Fair Friday and Saturday; southerly winds. For Western Pennsylvania and Ohlo—Fair Friday; probably showers Saturday; brisk southerly winds.

Local Temperature.

The temperature yesterday, as observed by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets, was as follows:

7 a. m. 57 3 p. m. 73 9 a. m. 63 7 p. m. 73 12 m. 77 Weather fair.

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